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SUBJ: INUIT ATAGQUATIGIIT MOVEMENT TO TRY TO FORM POLITICAL PARTY

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1. THE DANISH PRESS REPORTS THAT UNUIT ATAQUATIGIIT (IA), A POLITICAL MOVEMENT COMPOSED OF ECCENTRAIC LEFTIST GREENLANDERS WITH A "BACK TO NATURE" CAST, WILL CAMPAIGN IN THE ELECTION FOR SEATS IN THE NEW LANDSTING (PARLIAMENT) WHICH WILL BE CREATED WITH THE INTRODUCTION OF HOME RULE IN GREENLAND NEXT YEAR. THE DECISION WAS APPARENTLY MADE DURING THE ANNUAL YOUTH CAMP "AUSSIVIK 78", WHICH NURTURED IA AND IS NOW SUPPORTED BY IT. THE CAMPS PROVIDE A FORUM FOR YOUNG GREENLANDERS TO COME TOGETHER TO DISCUSS POLITICS, ESKIMO CULTURE AND THE PRESERVATION OF TRADITIONAL ESKIMO LIFE. THIS YEAR THE YOUTH CAMP WAS SOMETHING OF A DISAPPOINTMENT, ONLY ABOUT 100 PERSONS ATTENDING INSTEAD OF AN EXPECTED 1,000. THE POOR ATTENDANCE WAS BLAMED ON BAD WEATHER.

2. THE REPORTS STATE THAT THE IA WILL OPEN AN OFFICE
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IN EGEDESMINDE TO COORDINATE THE POLITICAL ACTIVITIES OF THE MOVEMENT. IN ADDITION TO THE "BACK TO NATURE" CURRENT IN THE MOVEMENT, IA REJECTS HOME RULE FOR GREENLAND AND ADVOCATES INSTEAD TOTAL INDEPENDENCE FROM DENMARK.

3. COMMENT: WE DO NOT BELIEVE THE NEW MOVEMENT WILL

ATTRACT MUCH SUPPORT. THIS IPINION IS BASED N THE
JUDGMENTS OF LEADING GREENLANDERS (REPORTED IN REFTL)
THAT INUIT ATAQUATIGIIT HAS NO BASE IN GREENLAND SOCIETY.
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